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Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 600,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman.—H. HOPKINS, Esq.
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Hongkong, . . . THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. Manager.
Shanghai, . . . EMMET CAMERON, Esq. Chief Manager.
LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.
ON Current Deposits accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " "
" 12 " 5 " " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.
Office of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (if not previously disposed of by Private Contract), on

TUESDAY,

the 8th day of May, 1877, at Noon, at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—

All that PIECE or PARCEL OF GROUND, Situate at Sow-Kai-Wan, and Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 123, and abutting on the North side on a Public Street, measuring thereon 31 feet.

On the South and West side on a Public Street, measuring thereon 125 feet.

On the South and East side on a Public Street, measuring thereon 200 feet.

On the North and West side on a Close (where a Plan for a Public Street is laid out) Registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 124, measuring thereon 150 feet.

For further particulars, apply to the Undersigned.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, April 24, 1877. my8

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs MELCHERS & Co. to sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 10th of May next, at Noon, on the Premises, under a power contained in a Bill of Sale dated the 18th day of December, 1874, given by THOMAS THORNTON ANTHONY, and CARL HEINRICH EIBERT SEIMUND, lately carrying on Business in this Colony, as Shipchandlers and Storekeepers, under the Style or Firm of BROADBENT, ANTHONY & Co.—

All the STOCK-INTRADE, FURNITURE, and EFFECTS being in and upon the Premises No. 62, Praya Central, lately occupied by the said Firm of BROADBENT, ANTHONY & Co.

Also, THE GOODWILL of the said Business.

TERMS.—Cash on delivery.

LAMBERT ATKINSON & Co., Auctioneers.
Hongkong, April 26, 1877. my19

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has been appointed AGENT at HONGKONG and its vicinity for "THE BOSTON BOARD OF MARINE UNDERWRITERS," by Power of Attorney, dated Boston, U. S., 1st March, 1877.

T. G. LINSTEAD.
Hongkong, April 20, 1877.

NOTICE.

WE have This Day Opened a Branch of our Firm at SHANGHAI. Mr CARL KNEBS has been admitted a Partner from This Date.

MELCHERS & Co.
Hongkong, April 12, 1877. my12

NOTICE.

MR. WILHELM CARL ENGELBRECHT VON PUSTAU, Junior, and Mr CONRAD MUNROE DONNER, have been admitted Partners in our Firm from the 1st of January, 1877.

WM. PUSTAU & Co.,
Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai.
Hongkong, April 16, 1877. jy16

NOTICE.

WE have This Day Established a Branch of our Firm at SHANGHAI under the Management of Mr ALFRED F. O. KRAUSS, who will sign for us by Procuration.

CARLOWITZ & Co.
Canton and Hongkong, April 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Established myself as SHIPPING BROKER at this Port, under my own name.

W. H. SIEGFRIED.
Hongkong, April 20, 1877. my20

NOTICE.

MR. EDWARD BURNIE will Conduct the BUSINESS of my Office, during my Temporary Absence from the Colony.

R. H. CAIRNS,
Surveyor to Local Offices,
and Lloyd's Register of Shipping,
2, Club Chambers,
Hongkong, March 17, 1877. ec18

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

ON and after the 16th day of November, 1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPENSARY will be carried on by the Undersigned.

WM. CRUICKSHANK,
Manager.
Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

Entertainment.

AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB OF HONGKONG.

THE MEMBERS of the above CLUB will give a Performance at the THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, on

MONDAY,

May 7th, 1877.

When will be presented a Farical Comedy in Three Acts, by J. H. BYRON, Esq., ENTITLED

"Not such a Fool as he looks."

Tickets may be obtained from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., on and after Monday, April 30th, and at the Doors on the Night of Performance.

Doors Open at 8.30. Performance to Commence at Nine o'clock punctually.

By kind permission of Colonel DICKINS and the Officers of H. M. 28th Regt., their Band will be in attendance.

CHAS. C. COHEN,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, April 25, 1877. my7

Intimations.

W. BALL, CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' Sundries, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDICINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG,
Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf.
Hongkong, July 18, 1876.

TANJONG PAGAR DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED, SINGAPORE.

THE BUSINESS of this Company was Resumed immediately after the FIRE. Vessels will obtain the usual Despatch and Coal Supplies.

E. M. SMITH,
Manager.
April 23, 1877. my29

Intimations.

HONGKONG.

Chs. J. GAUPP & Co.,

WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS,

38, Queen's Road,

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,

CHRONOMETERS,

&c., &c., &c.,

Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately rated under guarantee.

All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876. my1

AH YON,

SHIPS' COMPRADORE AND STEVEDORE,

No. 57, Praya West.

SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF

COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES.

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

SPANISH CONSULATE.

NOTICE is hereby given to the Captains of Spanish and Foreign Ships starting for the Islands of Cuba and Porto Rico that His Catholic Majesty's Government has again put in Force the 7th Rule of the Royal Decree of the 26th December, 1872, which has recently been revoked.

Consequently Captains and Super cargoes are informed that on their arrival at any of the Ports of the said Islands, they shall deliver to the Officers of the Customs House a Manifest duly certified by the Spanish Consul of the Port of Clearance or Departure, declaring whether the Ship is in ballast or giving a description of the Cargo that is on board.

Any Contravention of the said 7th Rule will be punished with a Fine of (\$500) Five Hundred Dollars, or less, according to the circumstances connected therewith.

A. FARAUO,
Consul for Spain.
Hongkong, April 28, 1877. my6

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. R. STOUT intends visiting JAPAN shortly, and would be glad if those who wish to Consult him professionally would make an appointment for an Early Day.

HOURS FOR CONSULTATION:
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
No. 1, Alexandra Terrace.
Hongkong, April 4, 1877.

CONSULAT DE FRANCE A HONGKONG.

MONSIEUR A. SIENKIEWICZ, Consul de France à Malte, a remis aujourd'hui à Monsieur G. BOULOUZE, Chancelier, le Service du Consulat de France à Hongkong et Macao.

Le 16 Avril, 1877. my6

To Let.

TO LET.

NO. 3, PECHILI TERRACE, ELGIN STREET, with Immediate Possession.

Apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, February 7, 1877.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 10, Albany Road, at present occupied by the Rev. R. H. KINN. Bimsee Villa, Pok-foo-lum, Furnished.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, February 15, 1877.

TO LET.

THE Upper Portion of Nos. 42 and 44, Queen's Road.

The Dwelling House and Offices No. 1, D'Aguilar Street, at present in the occupation of Messrs DOUGLAS LAIRA & Co., Possession from the 1st May next.

Apply to DOUGLAS LAIRA & Co.
Hongkong, November 17, 1876.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s Celebrated

Brands of WINES and SPIRITS.

Apply to SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

FOR SALE.

AERATED WATERS.

THE Undersigned begs to Inform the Public that he is again prepared to supply AERATED WATERS of every description; the Manufacture is under the direct management of an experienced European. Trial orders are solicited. Advantageous Terms made with wholesale customers for export or local use.

W. BALL,
China Dispensary.
Hongkong, April 25, 1877. my2

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

THE IRON SCREW STEAMER

"ALBANY."

THE above Steamer was Built in Glasgow in 1872 by Messrs DOBIE & Co., under special survey of LLOYD'S, and Her MACHINERY and BOILER were made by Messrs JAMES HOWDEN & Co., under special inspection. She was constructed to carry a large Cargo on a light draft of water and is well adapted for the Philippine, China, or Japan trade. She underwent general Repairs in 1876, when New SAILS, RIGGING, and a complete outfit were supplied by the HONGKONG and WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, and in March of the present year Her Engines and Boiler were thoroughly overhauled.

DIMENSIONS.—Length between Perpendiculars, 170 feet. Beam, 26 feet 3 inches. Depth of Hold from Ceiling to Main Deck, 9 feet 5 inches. Height from Main Deck to under side of Awaiting Deck, 7 feet 4 inches.

GROSS TONNAGE.—580 Tons.

CLASS.—Built to Class 100 A at Lloyd's.

RIG.—Brig Rigged.

CARGO CAPACITY.—About 9,000 piculs, or 625 tons Measurement (40 feet).

DRAFT.—Light 9 feet; Loaded 12 feet.

SPEED.—Eight knots on consumption of 84 to 9 tons of coal per 24 hours.

BUNKER CAPACITY.—75 tons coal.

CABIN.—Under Awaiting Deck aft; saloon, pantry and five state rooms, with accommodation for 12 first-class passengers.

MACHINERY.

ENGINE.—A pair of Howden's patent High and Low pressure Engines of 90 Horse Power nominal; High Pressure Cylinder 25 inches, and Low Pressure Cylinder 45 inches in diameter: Stroke 30 inches.

PROPELLER.—Bessemer Steel of 4 Blades, with One Spare Set of Blades.

WINCH.—One Steam Winch with Donkey Boiler on Deck.

BOILER.—One Horizontal Tubular Boiler 11 feet diameter; with 3 Furnaces, tested for a working pressure of 60 pounds.

MORRIS & RAY.

Hongkong, March 29, 1877.

FOR SALE.

A MARINE ENGINE of 20 Horse Power nominal. High and Low Pressure, with Extra Surface Condenser and TURBINE BOILER. Consumption, 2 Tons per 24 Hours.

The Engine is quite new; was manufactured by Messrs Mathew Paul & Co., Dumbarton, and is now deposited in the Godown of the late firm of Russell & Sturgis, Manila.

Particulars may be obtained on application to MORRIS & RAY.

Hongkong, March 29, 1877.

FOR SALE, AT EAST POINT.

FRESH CALIFORNIA HAY AND OATS,

Just Received, ex "Mary Whitridge."

Apply to L. L. BUSH.
Hongkong, April 19, 1877.

NOW READY.

FENG-SHUI, or, THE FUNDAMENTS OF NATURAL SCIENCE IN CHINA. By Dr. E. J. EYRE. One Volume. 8vo. Price, \$1.50.

BUDDHISM, ITS HISTORY, THEORY AND POPULAR RELIGION, in the Lectures. By Dr. E. J. EYRE. Second Edition. One Volume. 8vo. Price, \$1.50.

Orders will be received by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.

Hongkong, July 31, 1876.

FOR SALE.

HENRIOT & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, Carte Blanche "Dry."

TH. ROZBEKER & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, Carte Blanche.

JOHN DURANT & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, WHITE WINE.

STARBUCK & Kentish's PORTS and SHERRIES.

MOULLETON & Co.'s COGNAC, 1, 2, 3 Stars.

BLANCHY FRERES & Co.'s COGNAC.

JUSTUS LEMBEKE & Co.

Hongkong, April 9, 1877. jy8

HONG LISTS.

Circular, large sheet.

THE AMENDED HONG LIST in English and Chinese, containing the Names of all the most important Companies, Institutions and Mercantile Houses in the Colony.

Price, 25 cents each; or \$2.50 per dozen.

At the "China Mail" Office.

For Sale.

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I, A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo., pp. 202.—By ERNEST JOHN EYRE, Ph.D. Rubingen.

Price: Two DOLLARS AND A HALF.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR LONDON.

The Steamship "IMBROS,"

Capt. BINNINGTON, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 25, 1877.

FOR COOKTOWN AND SYDNEY.

The French Steamer "GUNGA,"

Captain GARCEAU, will load here for the above Ports, and will have immediate despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to HOP KEE & Co.

Hongkong, April 27, 1877.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "MENZALEH,"

Comdt. PASQUALINI, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail.

H. DU POUY, Agent.

Hongkong, April 25, 1877.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "MEIKONG,"

Comdt. FOACHE, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

H. DU POUY, Agent.

Hongkong, April 25, 1877.

FOR COOKTOWN.

The British Steamer "JUAN,"

Capt. STOK, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, April 20, 1877.

FOR MANILA.

The Spanish Steamer "SORSOGON,"

Captain LIZARRA, will have early despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, April 20, 1877.

FOR LONDON.

The 41 British Barque "ARABELLA,"

THE PEARSON, Master, will load here and have immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, April 25, 1877.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.
The Steamship
"YESSO,"
Capt. J. E. PUNCHARD, will
be despatched for the above
Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd Proximo,
at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co.
Hongkong, April 30, 1877. my2

FOR LONDON.

(If sufficient inducement offers.)
The 100 A 1 British Steamer
"BERTHA,"
S. WINDHAM, Commander, will
have quick despatch as above.
The Steamer has Superior Accommoda-
tion for Passengers.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
MEYER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 30, 1877.

**FROM LONDON, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.**

THE S. S. Argentine, having arrived,
Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby
informed that their Goods are being landed
at their risk and stored in the Godowns of
the Undersigned, whence and/or from the
Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Yokohama
unless notice to the contrary is given
before 3 p.m. To-day.
Cargo remaining undelivered after the
6th Proximo will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 30, 1877. my6

HONGKONG HUMANE SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the
MEMBERS of the above SOCIETY
will be held at the CITY HALL, on MON-
DAY, the 7th May, at 5 p.m., for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the Com-
mittee, a Statement of Accounts, and to
elect Officers for the ensuing Year.
Members and others taking an interest
in the Society are invited to attend.
F. W. BARRETT,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, April 30, 1877. my7

NOTICE.

While the Undersigned, beg to inform the
Public of Hongkong and Kowloon
that the Charter of our Steamship **OSUM
SING** (plying between Peddar's Wharf and
Tsim-sha-tsoi) by Mr. Buxton, will expire on
the 8th Instant, after which date the said
Launch will ply on the same route on our
own account, having no connection what-
ever with the late Charterer.
The Fare will be as usual until further
notice.
WING KEE & Co.,
Praya Central.
Hongkong, April 30, 1877. my80

FOR SALE.

A SMALL Invoice of C. BONNEVILLE &
Co's "Prinze of Wales" BRANDY,
in Cases of One Dozen Bottles, One Dozen
Glass Barrels, and Two Dozen Flasks.
Apply to
P. B. CAMA,
7, Hollywood Road.
Hongkong, April 30, 1877. my14

Not Responsible for Debts.

**Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:**

MYSTIC BELLE, American ship, Captain
David Plummer.—Siemens & Co.
ROSKA, American 3-m. schooner, Capt.
C. W. Hanson.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
ROSETTA McNEIL, American barque,
Captain Brown.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.
ARONAUT, British ship, Captain John
Anderson.—Meyer & Co.
NYASSA, British ship, Captain W. S.
Garriock.—Douglas Larpaik & Co.
COIRINNE, British barque, Captain Wm.
Robertson.—Wieler & Co.
TULLOCHGORM, British 3-m. schooner,
Captain Mason.—Wieler & Co.
NELSON, British steamer, Capt. Thomas
Staples.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
HANNA LOAN, British ship, Captain R.
Greig.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 29, *Thoon Kranton*, Siamese barque,
474, P. W. Norath, Bangkok April 7,
Rice.—Siemens & Co.
April 29, *Charles Maurau*, French bar-
que, 388, C. Quatrepoint, Labuan March
23, General.—LANDSTEIN & Co.
April 30, *Argentine*, British steamer, 615,
W. Barand, London Feb. 25, Penang April
18, and Singapore 22, General.—JARDINE,
MATHESON & Co.
April 30, *Rajasthanian*, British str.,
933, Hopkins, Bangkok April 24, Rice.—
YUEN FAT HONG.
April 30 *Hai Ching*, Chinese gunboat,
Kwe Teng Sing, Fochow April 25, and
Amoy 28.
April 30, *Glamorgan*, British barque,
486, McEachern, Bangkok April 12, Rice
and Teakwood.—KIN TSE LOON.
April 30, *Ocean*, British steamer, 871,
Jaques, Hoihow April 20, General.—
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
April 30, *Flintshire*, British steamer,
1240, T. Thomas, Saigon April 26, Rice.—
A. MAGE HEATON.
April 30, *Cheong Hock Kian*, British
steamer, 966, F. Webb, Penang April 20,
and Singapore 26, General.—BOON CHONG
& Co.

DEPARTURES.

Apr. 29, *Education*, for Shanghai.
29, *Tartar*, for Hankow.
29, *Namoa*, for Coast Ports.
29, *Hobbs*, for Amoy and Shanghai.
29, *Pan Tai*, for Canton.
29, *Peng chow-hi*, for Canton.
30, *Diamond City*, for Bangkok.
30, *Krung Thep*, for Bangkok.
30, *Mystic Belle*, for New York.
30, *Havilah*, for Manila.
30, *Ban Lee*, for Bangkok.
30, *Norna*, for Swatow.
30, *Jylland*, for Takow.

CLEARED.

Eudoxie Adolphine, for Whampoa.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per *Charles Maurau*, from Labuan, 5
Chinese.
Per *Argentine*, from Straits, 59 Chinese.
Per *Rajasthanian*, from Bangkok, 110
Chinese.
Per *Ocean*, from Hoihow, 42 Chinese.
Per *Flintshire*, from Saigon, 3 Chinese.
Per *Cheong Hock Kian*, from Penang and
Singapore, 322 Chinese.

DEPARTED.
Per *Namoa*, for Amoy, Mrs. Mitchell,
and Mr. Malcampo Quioga; for Fochow,
Mr. Louis.
Per *Tartar*, for Hankow, Mr. da Silva.
Per *Education*, for Shanghai, 25 Chinese.
Per *Hobbs*, for Amoy, 230 Chinese
from Singapore; for Shanghai, 5 Chinese.
Per *Diamond City*, for Bangkok, 20 Chi-
nese.
Per *Krung Thep*, for Bangkok, 30 Chi-
nese.
Per *Mystic Belle*, for New York, 1 Euro-
pean.
Per *Norna*, for Swatow, 34 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Argentine* reports:
Light winds with fine weather and smooth
water up the China Sea.
The British steamer *Rajasthanian* re-
ports: Fine weather with smooth sea
throughout.
The British steamer *Ocean* reports:
Moderate S.E. winds and fine weather.
The British steamer *Flintshire* reports:
Fine weather throughout with light airs
from S.E. to East.
The British steamer *Cheong Hock Kian*
reports: Experienced light Easterly winds
and fine weather during passage.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For SAIGON.—

Per *BENARTY*, at 11.30 a.m. To-mor-
row, the 1st May, instead of as pre-
viously notified.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.—
Per *YESSO*, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednes-
day, the 2nd May.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *GALICIA*
will be despatched on TUESDAY, the
1st May, with Mails for Japan, San
Francisco, the United States, and Lon-
don, which will be closed as follows:—
2 p.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes.

2.30 p.m. Correspondence for Japan or the
United States only may be
posted on board the Packet
with Late Fee of 12 cents
extra Postage until

2.50 p.m. when the Mail is finally closed.
Correspondence must be specially directed
for this route, and if not fully prepaid
will be sent by British Packet.

Hongkong, April 18, 1877. my1

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.

The English Contract Packet *LOMBAR-
DY*, will be despatched with the Mails
for Europe, &c., on SATURDAY, the
5th May.

The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—
Friday, 4th May.—

5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.
6 p.m., Post Office closes except the NIGHT
Box, which remains open all night.

Saturday, 5th May.—
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale
of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late
Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted with
to LATE FEE of 18 cents extra
Postage till

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes
entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only,
addressed to the United Kingdom
Via Brindisi or to Singapore, may
be posted on board the Packet with
Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage,
till

11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally
closed.
Hongkong, April 24, 1877. my5

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *SINDH*,
will be despatched from Hongkong
on SATURDAY, the 12th May,
with Mails to and through the
United Kingdom and Europe, via
Marseilles; to Saigon, Singapore,
Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zea-
land, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Sey-
chelles, Reunion, Mauritius, Suez,
and Alexandria. This is the best
opportunity for forwarding Corre-
spondence to E. Africa, the Cape,
St. Helena, and Ascension.

Letters may also be forwarded to INDIA
by this Packet.

The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—
Friday, May 11th.—

5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post
Office closes except the NIGHT Box,
which remains open all night.

Saturday, May 12th.—
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of
Stamps, Registry of Letters, and
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.

11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late
Letters.

11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only)
except those to and through AU-
stralia, may be posted on payment
of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra
postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes
entirely.

Hongkong, April 23, 1877. my12

Shipping Intelligence.

HOME SHIPPING.

The following is corrected from the latest
London Papers:—

DEPARTURES.

Nov. 21, *America*, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Nov. 23, *Western Chief*, from London to
Hongkong.
Nov. 23, *Madura*, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Dec. 4, *Bendultha*, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Dec. 17, *A. E. Vital*, from Hamburg to
Hongkong.
Dec. 17, *Carricks*, from London to Hong-
kong.
Dec. 19, *Channel Queen*, from Cardiff to
Hongkong.
Dec. 20, *Chinaman*, from London to Hong-
kong.
Dec. 22, *Sophie*, from New York to Hong-
kong.
Dec. 23, *Ino*, from Greenock to Swatow.
Dec. 23, *John Nicholson*, from New York
to Shanghai.
Dec. 27, *Undine*, from London to Shanghai.
Dec. 29, *Canaan*, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Jan. 4, *C. R. Bishop*, from London to
Hongkong.
Jan. 11, *Windhover*, from London to
Shanghai.
Jan. 12, *Woodhall*, from Hamburg to Hong-
kong.
Jan. 12, *Hope*, from London to Hongkong.
Jan. 16, *Gryfe*, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Jan. 18, *Batavia*, from Hamburg to Hong-
kong.
Jan. 31, *Forward Ho*, from London to
Shanghai.
Feb. 1, *Robert Henderson*, from Buryport
to Hongkong.
Feb. 2, *Polynesia*, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Feb. 5, *Carrizal*, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Feb. 8, *Daphne*, from London to Hong-
kong.
Feb. 12, *Leading Wind*, from Antwerp to
Hongkong.
Feb. 17, *Theresa Behn*, from Cardiff to
Hongkong.
Feb. 18, *Matchless*, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Feb. 19, *Cactus*, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
Feb. 19, *E. P. Lichfield*, from Cardiff to
Hongkong.
Feb. 19, *Maitra*, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Feb. 20, *Pearlth*, from London to Hong-
kong.
Feb. 22, *Enid*, from London to Hongkong.
Feb. 22, *Onaka*, from London to Hongkong.
Feb. 22, *Belted Will*, from London to
Shanghai.
Feb. 27, *Gold Hunter*, from Cardiff to
Hongkong.
Feb. 28, *City of Aberdeen*, from London to
Shanghai.
Feb. 28, *McB. Park*, from Sunderland
to Singapore and Hongkong.
Feb. 28, *Janet Ferguson*, from Glasgow to
Singapore and Hongkong.
March 1, *Isles of the South*, from Cardiff to
Hongkong.
March 1, *Brown Brothers*, from Cardiff to
Hongkong.
March 1, *Khehive*, from Antwerp to Hong-
kong.
March 2, *Paracas*, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
March 3, *A. S. Davis*, from Cardiff to
Hongkong.
March 3, *Callor Ou*, from Cardiff to Shang-
hai.
March 4, *Nimbus*, from Cardiff to Hong-
kong.
March 4, *Jala*, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
March 6, *Lord Macaulay*, from Cardiff to
Hongkong.
March 7, *Alcestis*, from Cardiff to Chefoo.
March 10, *Sir Lancelot*, from London to
Shanghai.
March 13, *Golden Spur*, from Cardiff to
Hongkong.
March 16, *Bessie Morris*, from Swansea to
Amoy.
March 16, *Antwerp*, from London to Hong-
kong.

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS.

At London.—Steamers via Suez Canal.
Candia. Teviot.
Elgin. Scindia.
Glennisla. Sailing Vessels.

Duke of Abercorn. Corea.
Commissary. Scindia.
Kalsow. Melbrik.
James Shephard.

At Liverpool.
Ajax (str.). Priam (str.).
C. W. Cochrane. Henry S. Sanford.
Isle of Erin.

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The Manufactory is under direct and
continuous European Supervision.

Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

The publication of this issue commenced
at 8.00 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, APRIL 30, 1877.

THE reports on the trade at the Treaty
Ports in China for 1876, published by
order of the Inspector-General of Cus-
toms, are prefaced with some valuable
remarks and statistics respecting trade
with China generally during the year in
question. This portion of the reports
has been prepared by Mr. H. Kopsch,
Officiating Statistical Secretary of the
Customs, and a brief resume of the figures
and facts set forth in it will be doubtless
interesting to the community. We pur-
pose dealing only with the direct foreign
trade to-day, leaving the home, or coast-
ing trade carried on in foreign keels for
another occasion.

The total value of the direct foreign
trade of China for 1876 as carried on at
the Treaty Ports in foreign bottoms,
and Chinese steamers registered at the
Customs and restricted to trading to the
open ports, amounted to Tls. 136,716,178
(£42,261,568), divided in nearly equal
proportions between net imports
(£20,959,272) and exports (£21,302,296).
Since 1866 the total value of the direct
trade has fluctuated from Tls. 114,617,526,
the lowest in 1867, to Tls. 142,605,174
in 1872, but the latter figures have not
since been equalled. Hongkong is treat-
ed in the returns as a foreign country.
Up to the year 1872 the value of im-
ports far exceeded the value of exports,
but since that year the exports from
China exceed the value of imports. The
great depreciation in the value of imports
accounts, in a measure, for the marked
falling off in value. Having thus shown
the value of the direct foreign trade
between China and foreign countries,
including Hongkong, we now give a list
of the imports which constitute the staple
articles of trade from abroad. During
1874 and 1875 the goods enumerated
below contributed as follows to the total
direct import trade of China:—

Import. 1874. 1875.

Opium,.....28,664,782 25,365,066

Cotton Goods,.....18,270,196 20,061,148

Woolen Goods,.....4,049,078 4,661,421

Miscellaneous Piece

Goods,.....90,818 177,845

Metals,.....3,563,790 4,226,039

Sundries—chiefly

Sugar, Birds,

Nests, Coal, Oil,

Cotton, Ginseng, Oil,

Pepper, Seaweed,

Sandal-wood, and

Vegetable Wax,....9,822,205 13,421,671

Total,.....64,360,864 67,803,247

To the Tls. 67,803,247 (£20,959,272),

which represent the value of the direct

import trade in foreign goods for 1875,

Great Britain contributed 30.20 per

cent; Hongkong, with its imports from

England, America, India, and the

Straits, 39.33; India, with the value of

opium, 21.22; and Singapore, the Straits,

Australia, the Cape, etc., 1.83 between

them, making a total of 92.63 as the

share taken by Great Britain and her

possessions in the value of the import

trade of China. The continent of Eu-

rope (excepting Russia) is credited with

1.09 per cent, North and South America

—almost entirely United States—1.51;

Russia and her possessions in Asia 0.14,

which represents sea-borne goods; Japan

3.55, and the Philippine Islands, Java,

Siam, etc., 1.08. The percentage borne

by the value of staple imports to total

value of the net import trade was as

follows:—opium contributed 37.39 per

cent; cotton piece goods 29.88; woolen

goods 6.73; metals 6.24, and sundries,

as specified above, 19.75.

Tea and silk of course constitute the

staple exports. Excepting these two

products and sugar and cassia, the value

of the direct export trade to Europe is

insignificant, as the details subjoined,

giving the value of the principal com-
modities exported abroad, will show:—

Export. 1874. 1875.

Tea,.....86,826,011 86,897,612

SUPPLEMENT
TO THE
CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, 30th APRIL, 1877.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h.*, near the Kowloon shore *k.*, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c.*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

- Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
 2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
 3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
 4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
 5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
 6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
 7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
 8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Argentino	5 <i>h.</i>	Barsuld	Brit. str.	915	April 30	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Salgon	To-morrow
Benarty	4 <i>c.</i>	Potter	Brit. str.	1119	April 23	Ah Yon		
Bertha	8 <i>h.</i>	Windham	Brit. str.	1421	April 23	Meyer & Co.		
Braemar Castle	4 <i>k.</i>	Ayles	Brit. str.	1424	April 24	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Feronia	5 <i>h.</i>	Schultz	Ger. str.	1089	April 20	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Shanghai	
Gaelic	3 <i>h.</i>	Kidley	Brit. str.	1712	April 20	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Yokohama & San Francisco	Mails
Ganga	3 <i>c.</i>	Garceau	Fch. str.	797	April 26	Hop Kee & Co.	Cooktown & Sydney	
Hailong	5 <i>h.</i>	Abbott	Brit. str.	277	April 27	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Amoy, Taiwan, &c.	
Hankow	5 <i>c.</i>	Symington	Brit. str.	2332	April 19	Siemssen & Co.		
Imboa	4 <i>c.</i>	Bennington	Brit. str.	1275	April 20	Order		
Juan	4 <i>h.</i>	Stock	Brit. str.	1019	April 16	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Cooktown	
Manzaleh	5 <i>c.</i>	Pasqualini	Fch. str.	1000	April 24	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	Mails
Montgomeryshire	3 <i>c.</i>	Sturrock	Brit. str.	1146	April 28	H. Kier & Co.	Salgon	
Nelson	5 <i>h.</i>	Staples	Brit. str.	894	April 28	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Norna	2 <i>h.</i>	Walker	Brit. str.	606	April 27	Kwok Acheong	Swatow	To-day
Poneto	5 <i>c.</i>	Cain	Brit. str.	652	April 27	Melchers & Co.	Salgon	
Rajanattianuhar	3 <i>h.</i>	Hopkins	Brit. str.	933	April 30	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	
Saida	4 <i>h.</i>	.....	Brit. str.	37	Dec. 17	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Sea Gull	5 <i>h.</i>	Paray	Brit. str.	35	April 24	Lane, Crawford & Co.		
Sesagon	.....	.....	Span. str.	174	April 24	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Manila	Cos'tan Dock
State of Louisiana	5 <i>c.</i>	Johnston	Brit. str.	1216	April 24	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Amoy	Cleared
Sunda	5 <i>c.</i>	Reeves	Brit. str.	1205	April 18	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Ab'deen Dock
Thingvall	.....	Nielsen	Dan. str.	1577	April 14	Meyer & Co.	.....	Ab'deen Dock
Yesso	5 <i>h.</i>	Punchard	Brit. str.	559	April 28	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Coast Ports	2nd prox.
Vottung	2 <i>h.</i>	.....	Brit. str.	324	June 9	Kwok Acheong	.....	Repairing
Zamboanga	4 <i>c.</i>	Valenceno	Span. str.	651	April 26	Ah Yon	Bangkok	
Sailing Vessels								
A. T. Stallnecht	3 <i>c.</i>	Schütt	Ger. bqe.	539	April 23	Siemssen & Co.		
Albert Russell	8 <i>c.</i>	Carver	Amer. bqe.	762	April 13	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Arabella	8 <i>c.</i>	Pearson	Brit. bqe.	665	April 16	Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Ban Lee	2 <i>h.</i>	Schumacher	Siam. bqe.	260	April 19	Chinese	Bangkok	Cleared
Carl	5 <i>k.</i>	Hansen	Ger. bg.	215	April 27	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Tientsin	
Catherine Marden	4 <i>c.</i>	Marden	Brit. 3m.sc.	287	April 19	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Charles Maureau	2 <i>h.</i>	Quatresous	Fch. bqe.	368	April 29	Landstein & Co.		
Obeng Soon	2 <i>h.</i>	Cheng Sang	Siam. sch.	200	April 30	Chinese		
Corma	8 <i>c.</i>	Miller	Amer. sch.	230	April 19	Insurance Company		
Ellen Rickmers	4 <i>c.</i>	Weydemann	Ger. bqe.	307	April 28	Melchers & Co.		
Eudoxia Adolphine	3 <i>c.</i>	Valot	Fch. bg.	254	April 16	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Evening Star	3 <i>c.</i>	Asburn	Brit. bqe.	871	April 14	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Fabius	2 <i>h.</i>	Holze	Siam. sh.	635	April 28	Kin-tye-loong		
Falcon	2 <i>h.</i>	Vie	Brit. bqe.	385	April 23	Yuen Fat Hong		
Glengairn	8 <i>c.</i>	Finnister	Brit. sh.	895	April 11	Landstein & Co.		
Hannah Lord	8 <i>c.</i>	Greig	Brit. sh.	1299	April 28	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Hydra	5 <i>c.</i>	Dest	Ger. bqe.	785	Mar. 27	Siemssen & Co.		
Jan Peter	4 <i>c.</i>	Ewert	Ger. bqe.	336	April 26	Siemssen & Co.		
Jylland	4 <i>c.</i>	Laub	Dan. bg.	287	April 19	Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Lalla Rookh	2 <i>h.</i>	Hender	Brit. bqe.	814	April 20	Melchers & Co.		
Leucadia	8 <i>c.</i>	Mearns	Brit. sh.	896	April 12	Meyer & Co.		
Loiterer	7 <i>h.</i>	Vincent	Amer. sch.	45	Aug. 13	Insurance Cos.	London	
Mary Whitridge	8 <i>c.</i>	Cutler	Amer. sh.	862	April 16	Russell & Co.		
Mount Lebanon	2 <i>h.</i>	Hall	Brit. 3m.sc.	530	Mar. 26	Rozario & Co.	Vancouver's Island	
New Era	8 <i>c.</i>	Sawyer	Brit. sh.	1060	April 25	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Nyassa	4 <i>c.</i>	Garrock	Brit. sh.	799	April 7	Wm. Pustau & Co.	London	
Peiho	4 <i>c.</i>	Christiansen	Ger. bqe.	251	April 25	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Picote	3 <i>c.</i>	Graf	Ger. bqe.	238	April 28	Siemssen & Co.		
Rosetta McNeil	8 <i>c.</i>	Hansen	Amer. bqe.	611	Mar. 25	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Rosina	4 <i>c.</i>	Burgeland	Russ. bqe.	406	Feb. 28	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	San Francisco	
Sophie	4 <i>c.</i>	Binge	Ger. bg.	210	April 20	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Takow	
Terese	.....	Cebada	Span. bqe.	251	Mar. 31	Siemssen & Co.	Manila	Cos'tan Dock
Thomas Lord	8 <i>c.</i>	Hall	Amer. sh.	1316	April 12	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Thoon Kramom	2 <i>c.</i>	Vorrath	Siam. bqe.	474	April 29	Siemssen & Co.		
Tullochgorum	.....	Mason	Brit. 3m.sc.	175	April 20	Wieler & Co.		Sanda Ship
Villa de Rivadavia	4 <i>c.</i>	Carmus	Span. bqe.	261	April 28	Brandao & Co.		
W. H. Deitz	8 <i>c.</i>	Eudicott	Amer. bqe.	487	April 19	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Wealthy Pendleton	8 <i>c.</i>	Hanchar	Amer. bqe.	809	April 19	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
WHAMPOA								
Gustav Adolph	.....	Neemann	Ger. bqe.	300	April 21	Order		
CANTON								
Chinkiang	.....	Orr	Brit. str.	789	April 27	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	
Fau Tah	.....	Patterson	Chi. str.	870	April 29	C. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	

Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Flag.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
Charybdis	6 <i>c.</i>	British	corvette	1506	.....	.....	April 5	T. E. Smith
Fly	6 <i>h.</i>	British	gun vessel	464	4	120	April 23	John Bruce
Marquez de la Victoria	K. D.	Spanish	transport	1200	.....	.....	Feb. 23	Borrafo
Meeanee	6 <i>k.</i>	British	military hospital	2591	.....	.....	.....	.....
Modeste	6 <i>c.</i>	British	corvette	1405	14	350	April 13	Alex. Buller, C.B.
Patino	K. D.	Spanish	transport	1200	.....	.....	Feb. 23	Rapello
Sylvia	7 <i>h.</i>	British	surveying vessel	595	.....	.....	April 27	W. Bonham Bax
Tejo	Novelty Works	Portug.	gun vessel	444	2	100	Jan. 8	F. Amaral
Victor Emanuel	6 <i>c.</i>	British	Commodore's flag-ship	3087	2	.....	.....	Commodore Watson
At Canton								
Ashuelot	.....	American	corvette	1100	6	700	April 16	E. O. Matthews

HONGKONG, MACAO AND CANTON RIVER
STEAMERS.

Name.	Tons.	Captain.	Owners.
Flame	117	Stopani	H. & W'poo Dock Co.
Fei Wan	.....	.....	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Iohang	700	Martin	Butterfield and Swire
Kin Shan	457	Oary	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Kin Kiang	617	Benning, T.	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Linton	69	.....	Kwok Acheong
Powan	1890	Benning, A.	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Sir J. Jeejeebhoy	101	Hawkins	Kwok Acheong
Spark	140	Leleavour	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
White Cloud	280	Hoyland	H. C. & M. S.-boat Co.
Yotsai	180	Browne	Kwok Acheong

CHINESE GUN-VESSLS IN CANTON
WATERS, &c.

Name.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Commander.
An-lan	431	7	.....	J. Godall
Chen-jui	28	1	.....	E. F. Collins
Ching-po	150	.....	.....	Wan Lum Wan
Ching-sing	.....	.....	.....	E. Choy
Chung-hai	230	6	.....	.....
Peng-shou-hai	600	5	400	C. H. Palmer
Quang-on	180	3	60	Li Ping Tye
Shen-chi	150	5	.....	H. Wade
Sui-tsing	.....	.....	.....	Stewart
Tching-tsing	150	6	60	Bessard
Tien-po	150	6	.....	O. De Longueville
Wing-po	600	3	150	Lam Man Wo

FOOCHOW SHIPPING IN PORT.

April 21, 1877.

*Bonarty	for Hongkong
Europe	for Shanghai
Han Kwang	for Shanghai
K. Flickinger	for Shanghai
*Namos	for Hongkong

SHIPPING IN SHANGHAI HARBOUR.

April 21, 1877.

*Chinkiang	British
Flours Castle	British
Fusiyama	Chinese
Glencarn	British

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Fai-an	Chinese
Hankow (McQueen)	British
H. C. Orsted	Danish
Hoon Maru	American
Honan	Chinese
*Iraouaddy	French
Kiang-chang	Chinese
Kiang-piau	Chinese
Kiang-teen	Chinese
Kiang-wao	Chinese
Lombardy	French
Nanking	American
Loudoun Castle	British

* Since left port, or arrived at Hongkong.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

*Pau-tah	Chinese
Ping-on	British
Tahyew	Chinese
Tokio Maru	Japanese
Ulysses	for London

MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Flying Scud	British schooner
Haydn Brown	for New York
Lady Bowen	British barque
Por Ardua	British barque

MEN-OF-WAR.

Frolo	H. M. gun-vessel
Palos	U. S. gunboat
Sobol	Russian gunboat
Surprise	French gunboat

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THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

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JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Coals in Matched, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions. Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to

ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.

Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant insurances at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co.,

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POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premiums contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYMPHANT & Co.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL \$2,000,000.

THE Underigned, Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of \$10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

of

His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Underigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding \$5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,

Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned Agents are in receipt of instructions from the Board of Directors authorizing them to issue Policies to the extent of \$10,000 on any one first class risk, or to the extent of \$15,000 on adjoining risks at current rates.

A Discount of 20% allowed.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,

Hongkong, January 8, 1875.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Underigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,

Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

Mails.

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE,

IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL

and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES

AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "GAELIC" will be dispatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 1st May, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe. Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 30th Inst. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent. on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, April 3, 1877. my1



STEAM FOR Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,

Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Ancona, Venice, Mediter-

ranean Ports, Southampton and London;

Also, Bombay, Madras, Calcutta and Australia.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship LOMBARDY, Captain HALL, will leave this on SATURDAY, the 5th May, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to

A. LIND, Superintendent.

Hongkong, April 24, 1877. my6

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer CITY OF PEKING will be dispatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 15th May, 1877, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading are issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, and to New York and Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.

A Steamer of the Mitsui Bishi S. S. Company will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea Ports, about same date, and make close connection at Yokohama with the U. S. Mail.

At New York, Passengers have selection of various lines of Steamers to England, France and Germany.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., 14th May. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For security's sake, Shippers of Overland Cargo are requested to endorse on the Envelope the Marks and Nos. of Packages Shipped, to correspond with those in their Bills of Lading.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 3, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 16, 1877. my18

Intimations.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

TERMS OF ADVERTISING IN THE CHINESE MAIL.

TWO columns character for the first 100 characters, and one cent a character beyond the first 100, for 1500 characters, and half price for repetitions during the first week. Subsequent weeks inserted will be charged only one half the amount of the first week's charge. Advertisements for half a year and longer will be allowed a deduction of 25 per cent on the total amount, and contracts for more favorable terms can be made.

Efforts have been made to establish Agents for circulating the Chinese Mail in all the ports and in the interior of China, all the ports in Japan, in Saigon, Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, Batavia, Manila, the Philippines, Australia, San Francisco, Peru and other places which Chinese frequent. When the list of Agencies is completed, it will be published. Agents have been already established in most of the above places, and in important ports more than one agent has been appointed at each.

CHUN AYIN,

Manager.

Hongkong, February 28, 1874.

Intimations.

APONG, PHOTOGRAPHER.

by appointment, to H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY, GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG;

and to H. L. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA.

Wyndham Street, formerly ATHLETIC CLUB, HAS on hand the Largest and Best collection of Views of China, Photographic Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of assorted sizes. Ex. S. S. Radnorshire a supply of very handsome Easel Albums of Russia and Velvet Covers, assorted sizes. Illuminated Albums for Portraits. Tobacco Pouches, in Shape of Skulls, Rats, &c., and a nice choice of Gift Mountings for Frames, &c.

Hongkong, March 28, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

FROM and after the Chinese New Year's day (February 17, 1874) the Chinese Mail will be issued DAILY instead of twice weekly as heretofore. No change, however, will be made in the price of subscription, which will remain at \$4 per annum.

The charges for advertisements are now assimilated to those of the China Mail. The unusual success which has attended the Chinese Mail makes it an admirable medium for advertisers.

The Conductors guarantee an eventual circulation of one thousand copies. It is already the most influential native journal published, and enjoys considerable prestige at the Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, San Francisco and Australia.

For terms, &c., address

Ma CHUN AYIN,

China Mail Office, 17th February, 1874.

Now Ready.

"THE CHINA REVIEW," No. 4, Vol. V.

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The Law of Inheritance.

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Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.

Notes and Queries.—A Chinese Dictionary in the Cantonese Dialect.

"Watching Spirits."

Chinese Folk-lore.

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Pinyin English.

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White Ants.

Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office, Hongkong, March 20, 1877.

KWONG-HING CHEUNG & Co., COAL MERCHANTS.

Have always on hand for Sale every description of COAL at Moderate Prices.

Mr. ARYON has been appointed Manager, and all Orders addressed to him at 37, Praya, or to Mr. FAR JACK, at 30, King Lung Street, will receive immediate attention.

Hongkong, March 18, 1877. mc18

THE HONGKONG CHINESE MAIL.

THE Circulation of THIS PAPER has been very much extended. The following are some of its Agents:—

Macao.—Man Chuen Shop.

Canton.—Sing Chuen Netto Post Office, Lun Hing Street; Chui Hing Low Hotel, Lun Hing Street; Kwong Tin Fat Shop, Yan Tai Street; Mr. Sit Chuen Fan, Tung Wen Kwan; Yuen Fong Shop, in front of the Provincial Treasurer's Yamen; How Yuen Shop, Small Market Street, New City; Yee Cheung Photograph Shop, Honam; Kwai Hong Shop, Sin Cheung, Honam.

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Shanghai.—Mr. Ng Ching Shun, Maritime Customs; Mr. Ho Yee Chuen, Maritime Customs; Mr. Chui Sing Hoi, Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.; Mr. Kwong Chuen Fook, Educational Mission School; and Mr. Sing Sang Koo Shop.

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Batavia.—Yee Hing Hong.

Yokohama.—Yee Shun Hong.

Singapore.—Wahang Hong.

Singapore.—Ying Kee Hong; Kwong Fook Sang Hong.

Penang.—Yow Wing Fong; Argus Office.

Calcutta.—Mow Sing Company.

San Francisco.—Kwong Fooking Tai Hong.

The above are some of the Agencies; others will be published, when they are arranged for. Negotiations are in progress with the express concern who carry the official despatches and Peking Gazette, to circulate the Chinese Mail in the interior of China.

Hongkong, March 10, 1874.

Intimations.

NEWS FOR HOME.

The Overland China Mail.

(The oldest Overland Paper in China.)

PUBLISHED AT THE "CHINA MAIL" OFFICE IN TIME FOR THE ENGLISH MAIL.

Containing from 72 to 84 columns of closely printed matter.

THIS Mail Summary is compiled from the Daily China Mail, is published twice a month on the morning of the English Mail's departure, and is a record of each fortnight's current history of events in China and Japan, contributed in original reports and collated from the journals published at the various ports in those countries.

It contains Shipping news from Shanghai, Hongkong, Canton, &c., and a complete Commercial Summary.

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Terms of Advertising, same as in Daily China Mail.

NOTICE.

LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE Co.

THE BUSINESS of this COMPANY has This Day been Transferred to THE MARINE INSURANCE Co., of 20, OLD BROAD STREET, LONDON.

By Order of the Proprietors, WILLIAM HUNT, Secretary.

137, Leadenhall Street, LONDON, 1st January, 1877.

THE MARINE INSURANCE Co.

20, Old Broad Street, LONDON, 1st January, 1877.

ESTABLISHED 1836.

CAPITAL, £1,000,000 STERLING. RESERVE FUND, £840,000.

WITH Reference to the foregoing Advertisement THE MARINE INSURANCE Co. has This Day taken over the Business of the LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT Co., and has Appointed Mr. A. McIVER as its AGENT in HONGKONG.

By Order of the Board of Directors, ROBERT J. LODGE, Manager.

THE Underigned is prepared to Accept Risks and Issue Policies on behalf of the MARINE INSURANCE Co. by any First Class Steamer.

A. McIVER, Agent of the Marine Insurance Co. of London.

Hongkong, February 18, 1877. au17

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office—Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

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China and Japan.

A COMPLETE GUIDE TO THE OPEN PORTS OF THOSE COUNTRIES, TOGETHER WITH POKING, YEDO, HONGKONG AND MACAO.

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In addition to furnishing similar particulars, the Section devoted to Hongkong contains a historical sketch forming a chronological index of the chief events which have attracted public attention between 1841 and 1876, including Political events, Changes in the Government Service, the passing of important Ordinances, the Arrival and Departure of Eminent Residents, a record of the most notable PRINCIPAL ROBERTS, MURDERERS, FRAUDS, FIRE and Criminal Trials, APPROPRIATIONS and PRESENTATIONS, &c., &c.

The appendix contains full tables of the various steam companies' lines. It also includes a Catalogue of over 400 works published in the English language upon China and Japan, while a copious Index at the end of the work affords a ready means of reference to the reader.

HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, April 28, 1877.

At 1110 Cash per Dollar Mexican.

Paice.

Highest, Lowest, Cash, Cash.

Butcher Meat.

Bacon, English, lb. 450 400

" American, Sugar cured, 300 250

" Foochow, 160 140

Beef, sirloin and prime cut, oy. 160 150

Beef Corned, catty 150 140

" Roast, 150 140

" Soup, 100 90

" Steak, 160 150

Bullocks' Brains, per set 60 50

" Tongue, fresh, each 275 250

" " corned, 320 300

" Head, 600 500

" Heart, 150 140

" Hump, Salt, 110 100

" Foot, 50 40

" Kidneys, 60 50

" Tail, 100 90

" Liver, catty 80 60

" Tripe (undressed), catty 50 40

Calves' Head and Feet, set 500 400

Hams, American, lb. 300 280

" Chinese, 180 170

" English, 36